1	2	3	4
16.	Kerala	9017	76
17.	Lakshadweep	0	0
18.	Madhya Pradesh	6072	163
19.	Maharashtra	9115	580
20.	Manipur	5577	2
21.	Meghalaya	528	13
22.	Mizoram	41	5
23.	Nagaland	168	8
24.	Orissa	7444	60
25.	Pondicherry	1052	15
26.	Punjab	1897	90
27.	Rajasthan	7560	88
28.	Sikkim	25	1
29.	Tamil Nadu	11602	285
30.	Tripura	7170	3
31.	Uttar Pradesh	21235	232
32.	West Bengal	143893	241
	TOTAL:	304235	3164

Package for Sick Small Scale Industries

3781. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a growing Industrial sickness in the Small Scale Industries functioning at present in the country; and

(b) if so, the details of the package of financial assistance proposed by Government to revive the sick units?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) No, Sir. As per the latest data compiled by the Reserve Bank of India, the number of sick SSI units has come down from 3,06,221 as at the end of March, 1999 to 3,04,235 as at the end of March, 2000.

(b) The Government is fully seized of the problem of industrial sickness amongst the SSI units and has taken various measures to facilitate timely identification and rehabilitation of potentially viable sick industries, which *inter alia*, includes institutional mechanism in the form of State Leval Inter Institutional Committees, special rehabilitation cells in banks and State financial institutions and elaborate guidelines issued by the Reserve Bank of India for extending rehabilitation assistance to eligible units. Further, with a view to strengthen the SSI sector and enhance its competitiveness both domestically and globally, the Government has announced a Comprehensive Policy Package which consists of *inter alia* enhanced fiscal and credit support, better infrastructural and marketing facilities and incentives for technology upgradation.

Grant to small scale unit

3782. SHRI R.S. GAVAI: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to grant Rs. 75000/- to each small scale unit that obtains ISO-9000 certification for next five years;

(b) if so, the details of units availed ISO-9000 certification and grants till date;

(c) whether Government have formulated any plan to provide R&D facility to SSI to obtain certification;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) The present scheme to grant reimbursement upto Rs. 75,000/- to each small scale unit which obtains ISO-9000 certification has been extended upto 31st March, 2007.

(b) Under the Scheme 1384 Small Scale Industries have been